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Labour Force, Australia

Headline estimates of employment, unemployment, underemployment, participation and hours worked from the monthly Labour Force Survey

Reference period August 2024

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Key statistics

In trend terms, in August 2024:

- unemployment rate remained at 4.1%.
- participation rate remained at 67.0%.
- employment increased to 14,443,600.
- employment to population ratio remained at 64.2%.
- underemployment rate remained at 6.4%.
- monthly hours worked increased to 1,958 million.

In seasonally adjusted terms, in August 2024:

- unemployment rate remained at 4.2%.
- participation rate remained at 67.1%.
- employment increased to 14,458,600.

- employment to population ratio increased to 64.3%.
- underemployment rate increased to 6.5%.
- monthly hours worked increased to 1,962 million.
- full-time employment decreased by 3,100 to 9,979,100 people.
- part-time employment increased by 50,600 to 4,479,500 people.

Key statistics - Trend

	Jul-24	Aug-24	Monthly change	Monthly change (%)	Yearly change	Yearly change (%)
Employed people	14,403,300	14,443,600	40,300	0.3%	362,800	2.6%
Unemployed people	620,200	625,200	5,000	0.8%	83,300	15.4%
Unemployment rate	4.1%	4.1%	0.0 pts	na	0.4 pts	na
Underemployment rate	6.4%	6.4%	0.0 pts	na	-0.1 pts	na
Participation rate	67.0%	67.0%	0.1 pts	na	0.3 pts	na
Monthly hours worked in all jobs	1,955 million	1,958 million	3 million	0.2%	24 million	1.3%

Key statistics - Seasonally adjusted

	Jul-24	Aug-24	Monthly change	Monthly change (%)	Yearly change	Yearly change (%)
Employed people	14,411,100	14,458,600	47,500	0.3%	374,200	2.7%
Unemployed people	637,400	627,000	-10,500	-1.6%	86,600	16.0%
Unemployment rate	4.2%	4.2%	-0.1 pts	na	0.5 pts	na
Underemployment rate	6.3%	6.5%	0.1 pts	na	-0.1 pts	na
Participation rate	67.1%	67.1%	0.0 pts	na	0.4 pts	na
Monthly hours worked in all jobs	1,955 million	1,962 million	8 million	0.4%	33 million	1.7%

Estimates of changes throughout this release are calculated using un-rounded level estimates and may be different from, but are more accurate than, movements obtained from the rounded level estimates.

For definitions of labour statistics used in this publication, please refer to [Glossary of Labour Force, Australia methodology](#) ([/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/aug-2024#glossary](#)).



Survey impacts and changes

Release of modelled regional labour force estimates

The ABS has published new monthly modelled SA4 level estimates in the [July 2024 release of Labour Force, Australia, Detailed](#) ([/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia-detailed/jul-2024/#modelled-labour-market-regions-sa4-\)](#). Modelled estimates will be made available each month on the same day as the detailed data.

The ABS recommends using the modelled estimates over the direct survey estimates whenever possible in reporting on regional labour markets.

Improvements to estimation method

The ABS has implemented some small improvements to how the aged care population is estimated, as part of ongoing quality assurance of the [estimation methods introduced in February 2024 \(/articles/revisions-improvements-labour-force-estimation-method\)](#).

These improvements have resulted in very minor revisions to employment, of 3,000 people or less, going back to 2016.

Quarterly rebenchmarking of labour force statistics

The ABS has revised the original Labour Force series from July 2022 to reflect the latest available preliminary and final estimates of the Estimated Resident Population. This quarterly process ensures that the Labour Force series promptly reflect any change in population trends and minimises the size of revisions that can occur when the series are rebenchmarked following each Census of Population and Housing.

The resident civilian population level was revised down from June 2023 onwards. This has resulted in some small revisions, including to the number of employed people.

Revisions to original series also result in revisions to seasonally adjusted series.

Survey response and timeline

The August 2024 Labour Force Survey was run in respect of the two weeks from Sunday 4 August to Saturday 17 August, and collected over the period from Sunday 11 August to Saturday 31 August.

The ABS would like to thank Australians for their continued support in responding to our surveys, given how critical this information is.



Reference and Enumeration Dates

Publication	Start of Reference Week	End of Reference Week	Start of Enumeration	End of Enumeration
Jul-24	30th June 2024	13th July 2024	7th July 2024	27th July 2024
Aug-24	4th August 2024	17th August 2024	11th August 2024	31st August 2024
Sep-24	1st September 2024	14th September 2024	8th September 2024	28th September 2024
Oct-24	29th September 2024	12th October 2024	6th October 2024	26th October 2024
Nov-24	27th October 2024	9th November 2024	3rd November 2024	23rd November 2024
Dec-24	24th November 2024	7th December 2024	1st December 2024	21st December 2024

Unemployment

In trend terms, in August 2024:

- unemployment rate remained at 4.1%.
- unemployed people increased by 5,000 to 625,200.
- youth unemployment rate remained at 9.8%.

Unemployment rate



Large month-to-month changes occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic, resulting in multiple trend breaks. The ABS recommends caution when using trend estimates published in spreadsheets in this release for this period. Information on trend breaks can be found in [Labour Force, Australia methodology, August 2024](#) ([/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/aug-2024](#)).



Employment

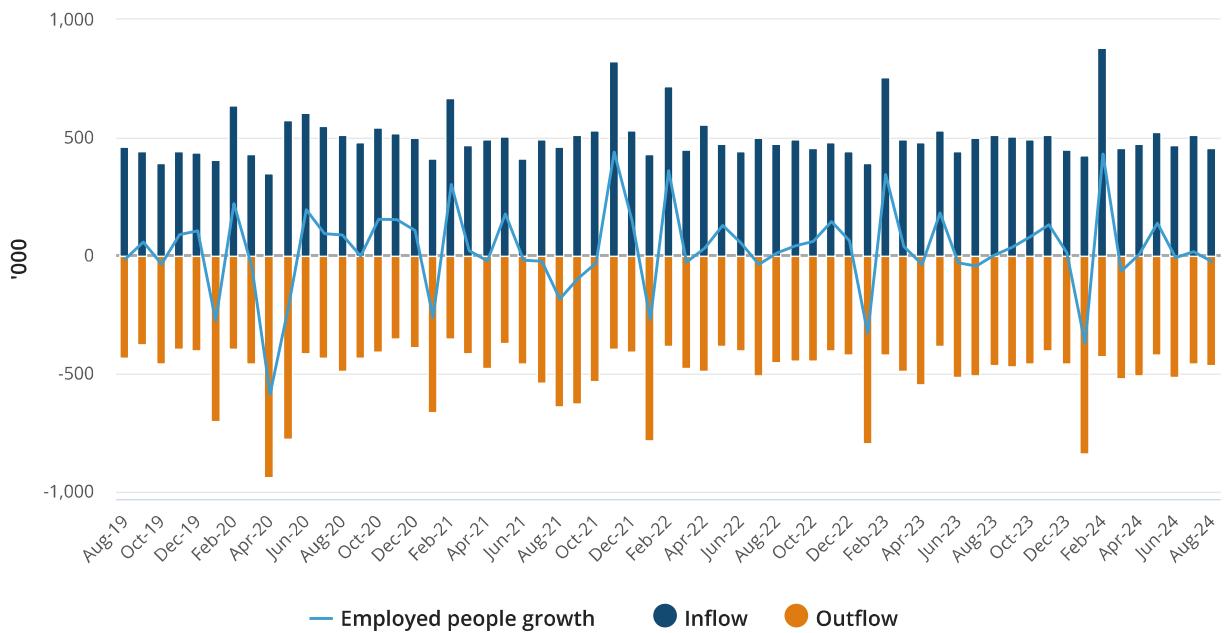
In trend terms, in August 2024, employment increased by 40,300 people (0.3%) to 14,443,600 people.

Flows into and out of employment

Flows into and out of employment are extensive and are based on the net matched sample of original employment growth between two consecutive months (around 80% of the sample). The (net) sum of the inflows and outflows does not necessarily equal the 'net' employment growth.

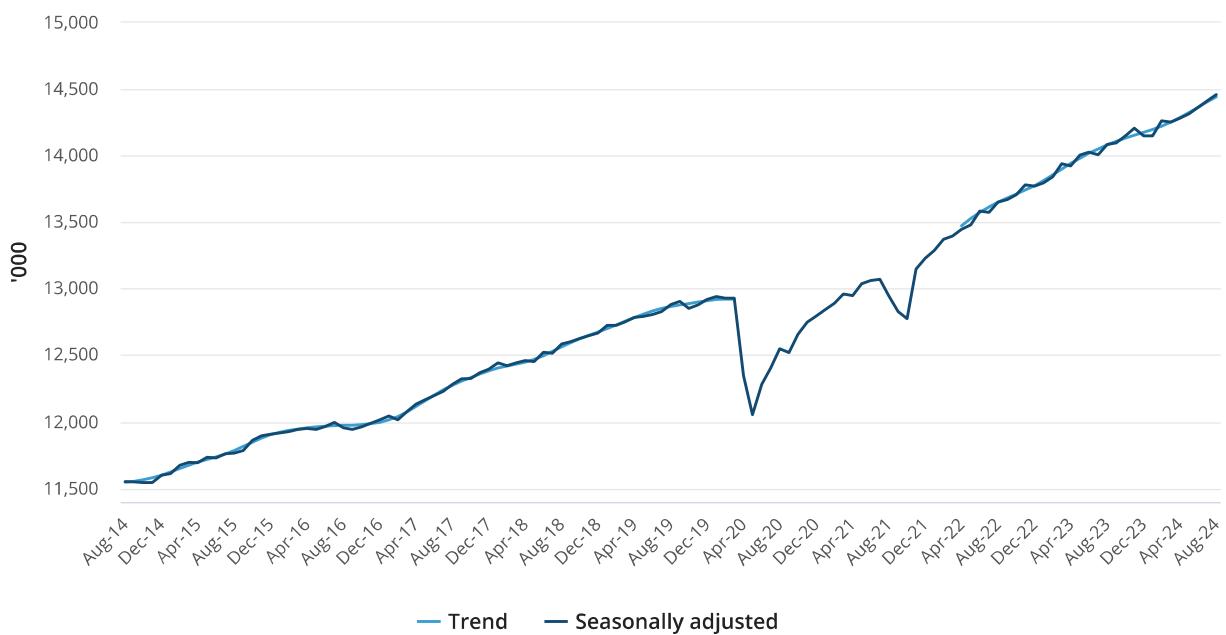
For August 2024, the net change in the number of employed people is the result of around 458,000 people entering employment (i.e. they were not employed in July 2024 but were employed in August 2024), while around 463,000 people left employment (i.e. they were employed in July 2024 but not employed in August 2024). This contrasts with July 2024, where around 513,000 people entered employment and around 457,000 people left employment.

Monthly inflows, outflows and employment growth, Original



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Employed people



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Full-time and part-time employment

In trend terms, in August 2024:

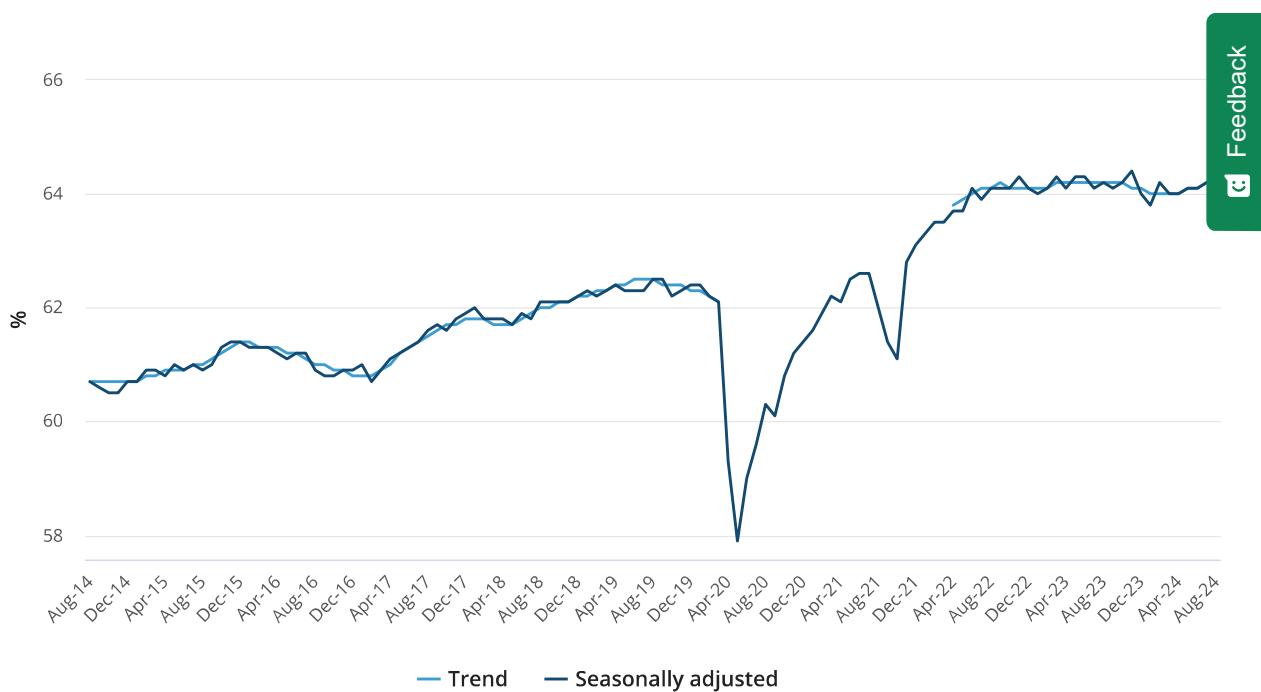
- full-time employment increased by 30,600 to 9,980,100 people, and part-time employment increased by 9,700 to 4,463,500 people.
- part-time share of employment was 30.9%.

Employment-to-population ratio

In trend terms, in August 2024, the employment-to-population ratio remained at 64.2%.

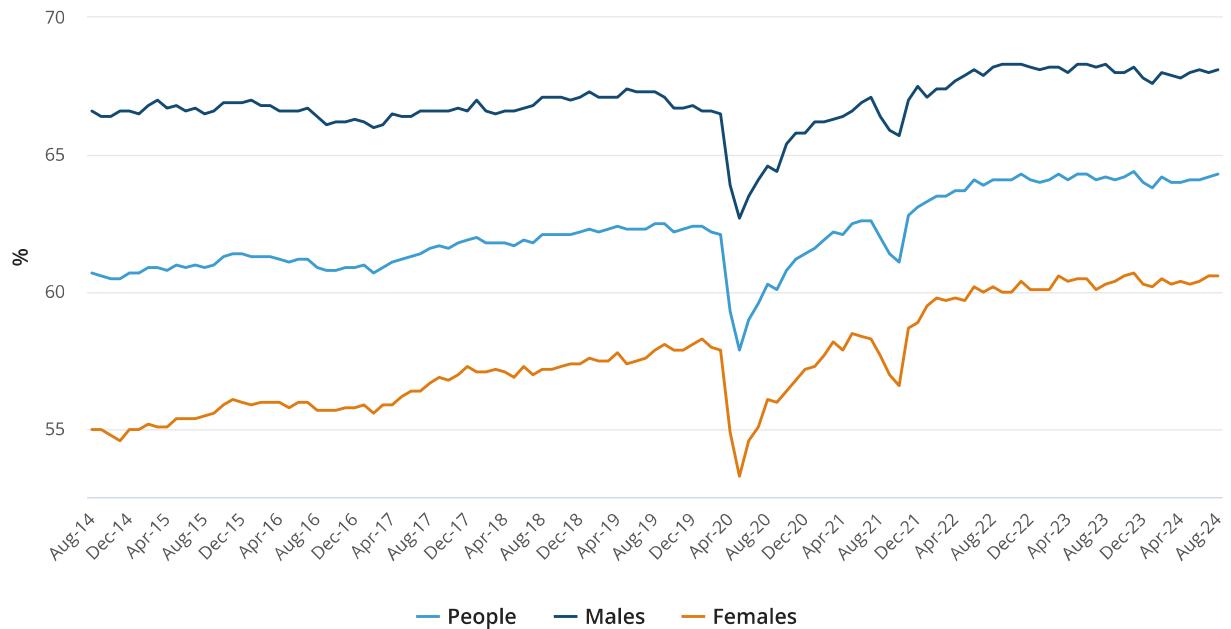
The employment-to-population ratio provides a measure of employment relative to the size of the population.

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Employment-to-population ratio, Seasonally adjusted

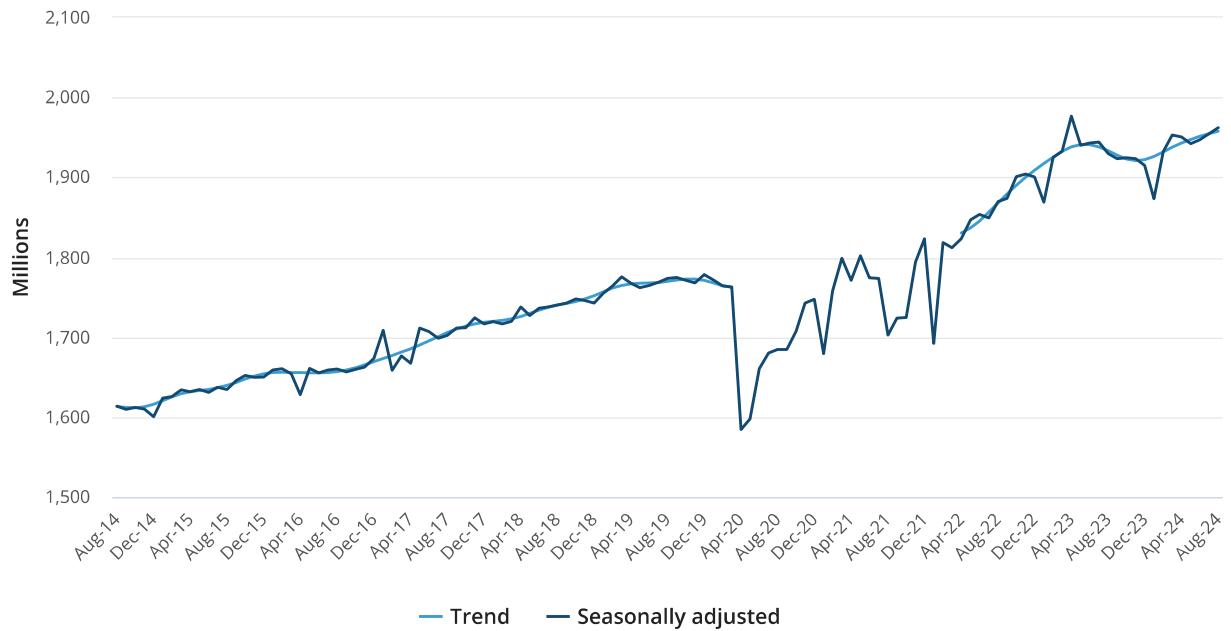


Hours worked

In trend terms, in August 2024, monthly hours worked in all jobs increased by 3.1 million hours (0.2%) to 1,958 million hours.

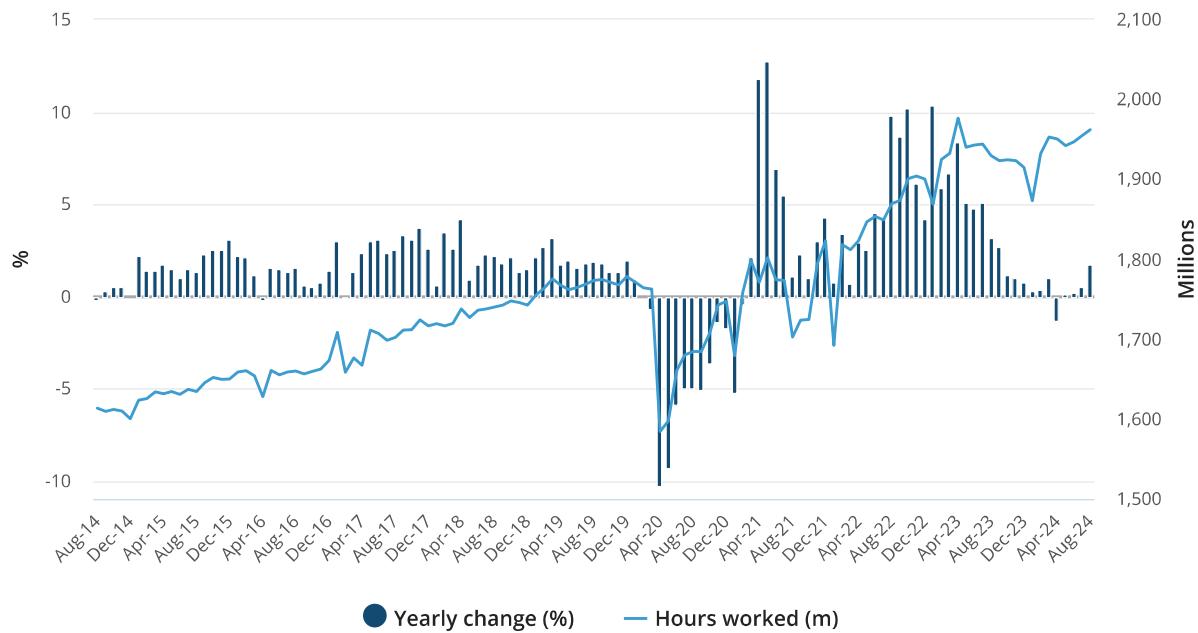
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Monthly hours worked in all jobs



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Monthly hours worked in all jobs, Seasonally adjusted



Participation

In trend terms, in August 2024, the participation rate:

- remained at 67.0%.
- remained at 71.0% for men and increased to 63.1% for women.

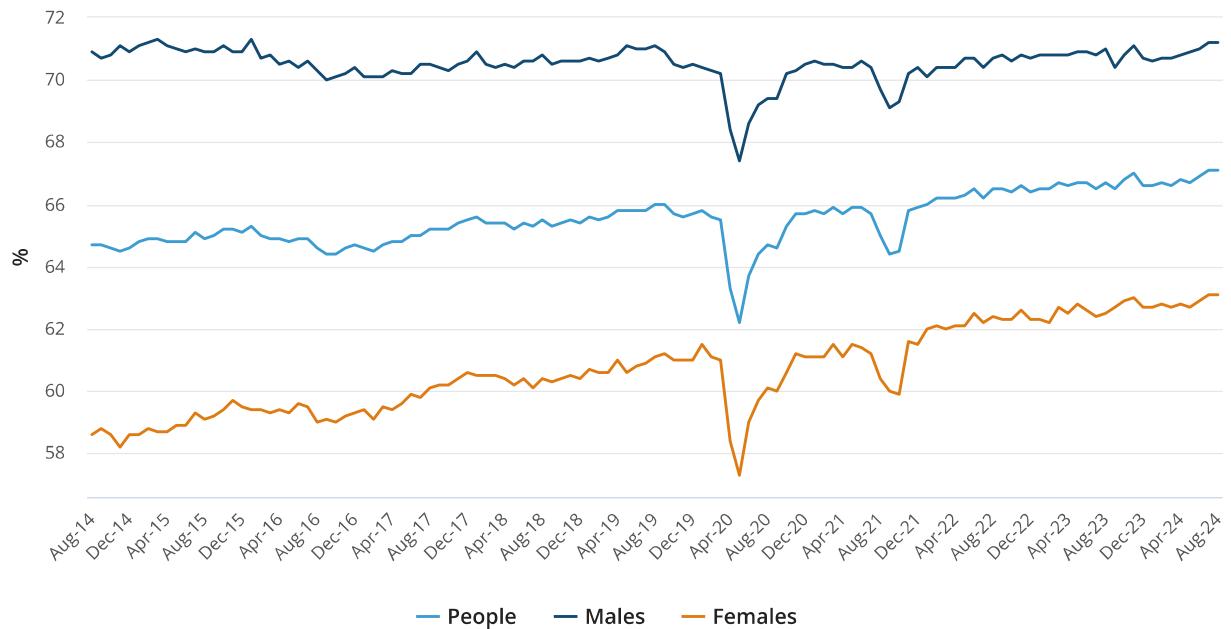
Participation rate

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Participation rate, Seasonally adjusted



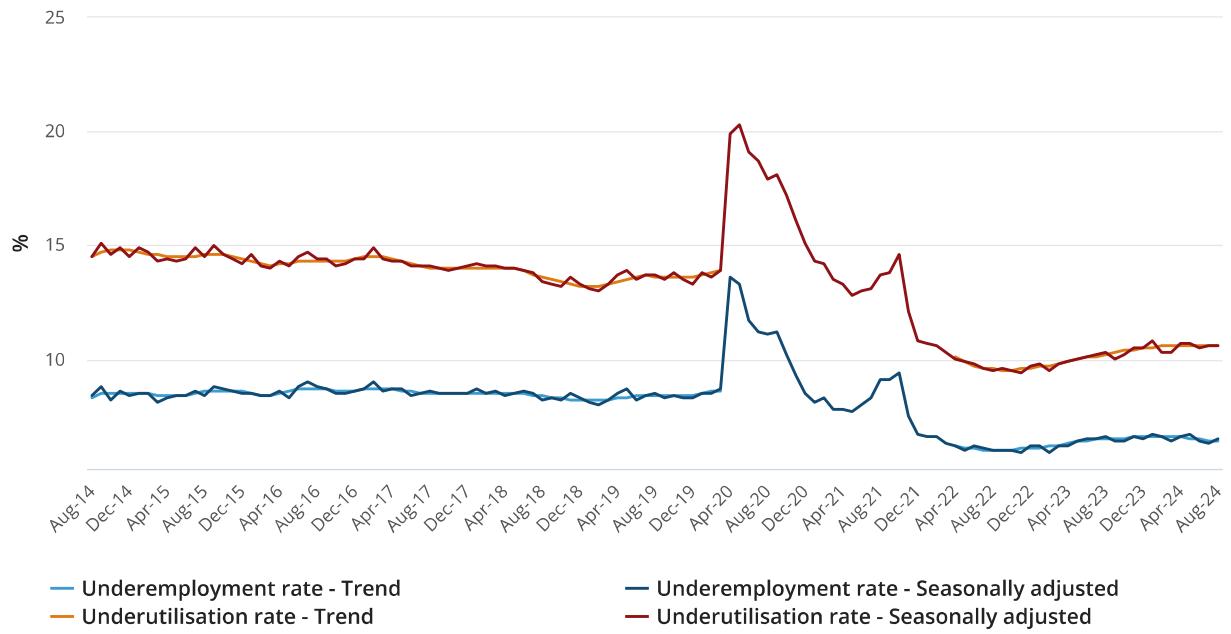
Underemployment

In trend terms, in August 2024:

- underemployment rate remained at 6.4%.
- underutilisation remained at 10.6%.

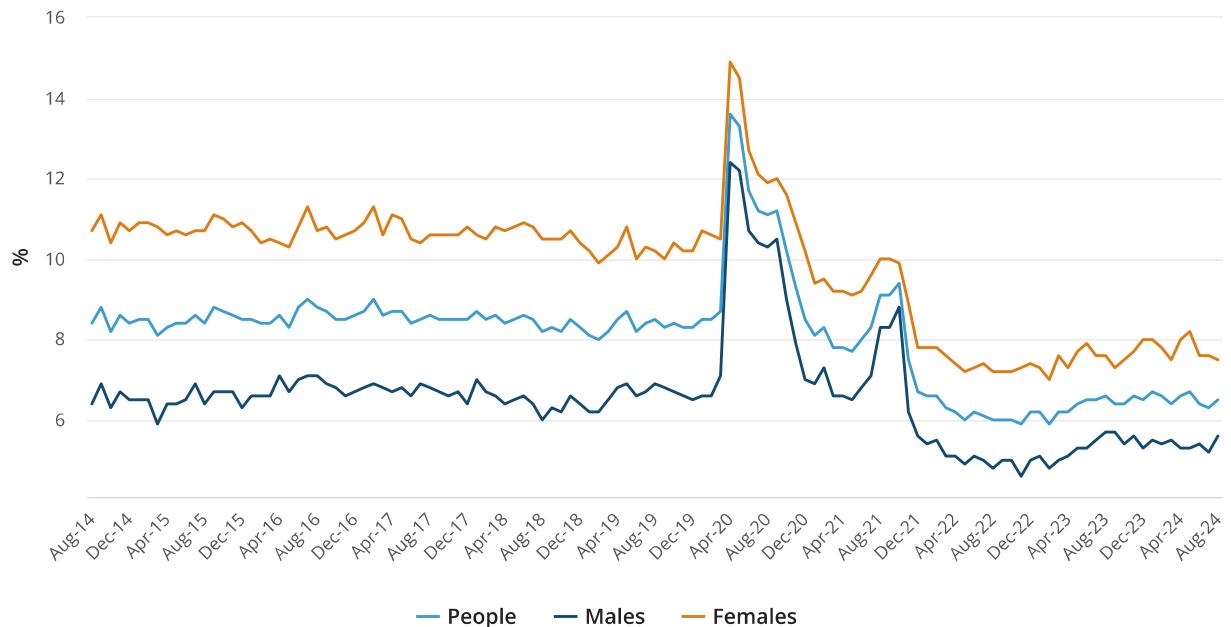
Underemployment rate and underutilisation rate

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Underemployment rate, Seasonally adjusted



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States and Territories

August 2024 - Trend

	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Avg
Employed people	4,460,600	3,778,700	2,954,400	941,900	1,616,100	281,100	139,800	270,200	1
Employed people - monthly change	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	-0.2%	0.3%	0.1%	
Employment to population ratio	63.5%	65.2%	64.4%	60.1%	66.4%	58.2%	70.0%	69.9%	
Employment to population ratio - monthly change	0.1 pts	0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.1 pts	-0.1 pts	-0.1 pts	0.1 pts	0.0 pts	
Unemployment rate	4.0%	4.5%	4.2%	4.0%	3.8%	4.3%	4.3%	3.6%	
Unemployment rate - monthly change	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	
Underemployment rate	6.1%	6.6%	6.7%	7.6%	5.5%	6.8%	3.8%	5.2%	
Underemployment rate - monthly change	0.0 pts	-0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.1 pts	0.0 pts	-0.2 pts	0.0 pts	0.1 pts	
Participation rate	66.2%	68.2%	67.2%	62.6%	69.0%	60.8%	73.1%	72.5%	

	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory
Participation rate - monthly change	0.1 pts	0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.1 pts	0.0 pts	-0.1 pts	0.1 pts	-0.1 pts

August 2024 - Seasonally adjusted

	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory
Employed people	4,459,000	3,783,000	2,950,600	943,100	1,612,900	280,400	139,400	269,100
Employed people - monthly change	-0.5%	0.4%	0.9%	0.2%	-0.2%	0.5%	-0.7%	-0.4%
Employment to population ratio	63.5%	65.2%	64.3%	60.1%	66.2%	58.0%	69.8%	69.5%
Employment to population ratio - monthly change	-0.4 pts	0.1 pts	0.4 pts	0.0 pts	-0.3 pts	0.3 pts	-0.6 pts	-0.4 pts
Unemployment rate	4.1%	4.5%	4.2%	3.9%	3.9%	4.4%	4.2%	3.9%
Unemployment rate - monthly change	0.1 pts	-0.1 pts	-0.1 pts	-0.4 pts	0.2 pts	0.0 pts	-0.1 pts	0.1 pts
Underemployment rate	6.3%	6.7%	6.8%	7.6%	5.7%	6.7%	3.7%	5.1%
Underemployment rate - monthly change	0.2 pts	0.1 pts	0.2 pts	0.5 pts	0.2 pts	0.5 pts	-1.1 pts	-1.0 pts
Participation rate	66.2%	68.3%	67.1%	62.6%	68.9%	60.7%	72.8%	72.4%
Participation rate - monthly change	-0.4 pts	0.0 pts	0.4 pts	-0.3 pts	-0.2 pts	0.3 pts	-0.7 pts	-0.4 pts

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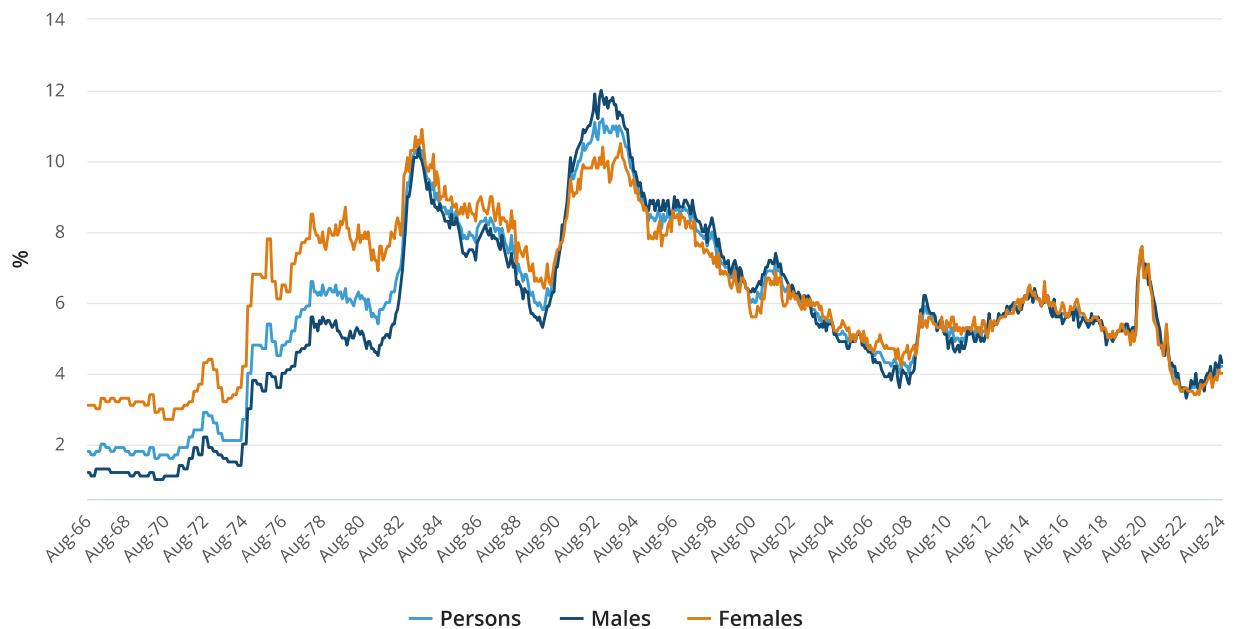
Historical charts

Historical charts for employed, unemployed, unemployment rate and participation rate from August 1966 to August 2024

Historical Labour Force estimates of employment, unemployment rate, and participation rate from the historical quarterly and monthly Labour Force Survey.

Prior to 1978 the historical Labour Force Survey was collected quarterly; the current Labour Force Survey is collected monthly. Please refer to the [history of changes \(./methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/aug-2024#history-of-changes\)](#) to see the differences between the historical and current Labour Force Survey.

Unemployment rate, Australia, August 1966 to August 2024, Seasonally adjusted

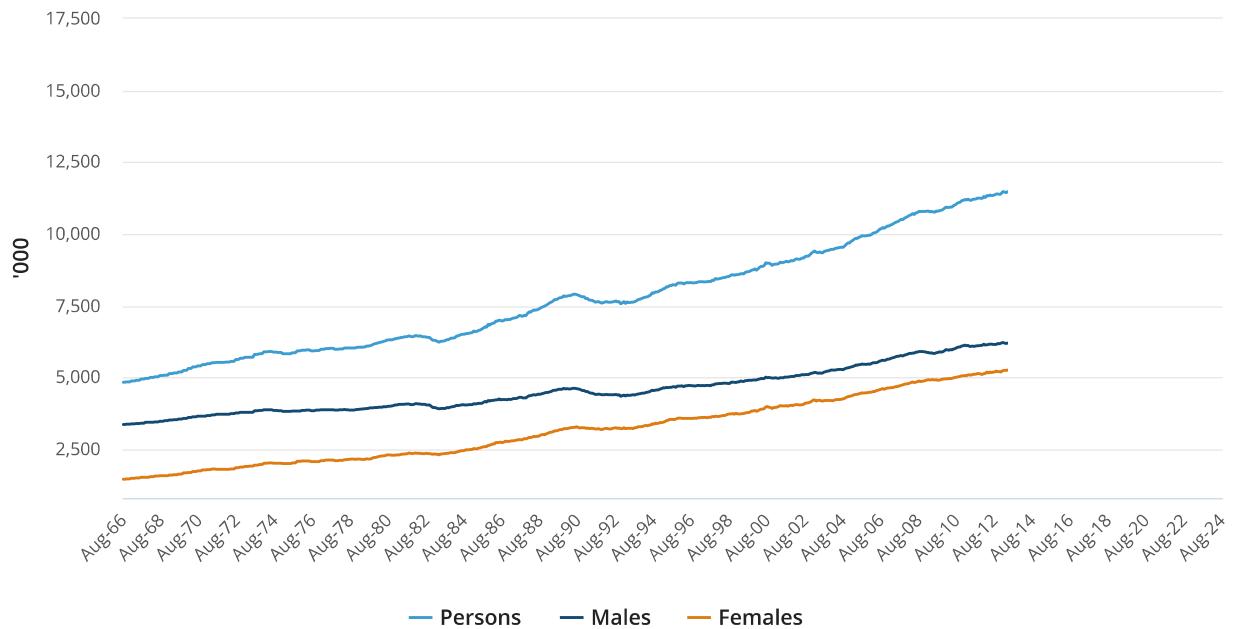


February 1978 to August 2024 estimated monthly, before February 1978 estimated quarterly

Source: [6204.0.55.001 Labour Force Historical Timeseries, Australia, 1966-1984, Seasonally adjusted estimates of the labour force by sex and marital status - 1966-1977](https://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs%40.nsf/DetailsPage/6204.0.55.0011966%20to%201984?OpenDocument) (<https://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs%40.nsf/DetailsPage/6204.0.55.0011966%20to%201984?OpenDocument>) and [6202.0 Labour Force, Australia, Table 1](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia/latest-release#data-downloads) ([/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia/latest-release#data-downloads](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia/latest-release#data-downloads)).

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Employed people, Australia, August 1966 to August 2024, Seasonally adjusted

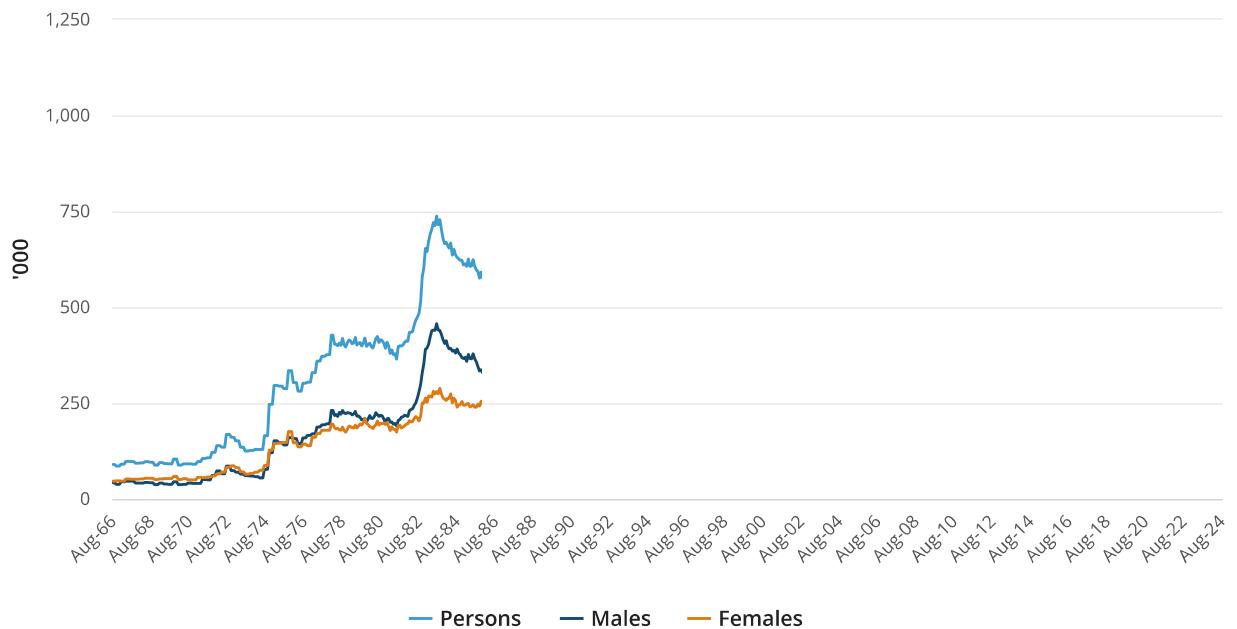


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Participation rate, Australia, August 1966 to August 2024, Seasonally adjusted



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Rotation group analysis

Sample composition and rotation

The Labour Force Survey sample can be thought of as comprising eight sub-samples (rotation groups), with each sub-sample remaining in the survey for eight months, and one group "rotating out" each month and being replaced by a new group "rotating in". As seven-eighths of the sample are common from one month to the next, changes in the estimates reflect real changes in the labour market, rather than changes in the sample. The replacement sample is generally selected from the same geographic areas as the outgoing one, as part of a representative sampling approach.

The sample comprises three components:

- the matched common sample (people who responded in both the current month and previous month)
- the unmatched common sample (people who responded in the current month but who did not respond in the previous month, or vice versa)
- the incoming rotation group (replacing people who rotated out)

The matched common sample describes the change observed for the same respondents in the current and previous month, while the other two components reflect differences between the aggregate labour force status of different

groups of people.

While the rotation groups are designed to be representative of the population, the outgoing and incoming rotation groups will almost always have somewhat different characteristics, as they reflect different households and people. The design of the survey, including the weighting and estimation processes, ensures that these differences are generally relatively minor and do not affect the representativeness of the survey and its estimates. Monthly estimates are designed to be representative, regardless of the relative contribution of the three components of the sample.

The contributions of the three sample components to the original estimates of employed, unemployed and not in the labour force are in the Contribution from sample components to estimates spreadsheet.

Estimates for the incoming and outgoing rotation groups

Incoming and outgoing rotation groups

	July outgoing rotation group	August incoming rotation group	August outgoing rotation group	August estimate (Original)
Employment to population ratio	65.3%	63.8%	65.6%	64.9%
Full-time employment to population ratio	45.2%	44.2%	44.8%	44.6%
Unemployment rate	3.8%	4.4%	4.0%	4.1%
Participation rate	67.9%	66.7%	68.3%	67.6%

States and Territories

In addition to analysis across the entire sample, the ABS also undertakes similar analysis for the responding sample in each state and territory each month, and highlights where there is a notable change for users to be aware of. In August, there were no noteworthy differences in the responding sample that were contributing to monthly movements for any of the states and territories. As with any notable month-to-month movement of this nature in state and territory estimates, the ABS recommends exercising a degree of caution in interpreting short-term changes.

As for its reporting for the entire sample, where the ABS has not highlighted a notable incoming rotation group effect, any larger changes should therefore be considered to reflect a broader change across the sample.



Comparability with seasonally adjusted and trend data

The gross flows and rotation group data are in original terms only, and are included to provide additional information on the month-to-month movements. They have a considerable level of inherent sampling variability, which is specifically adjusted for in the trend and seasonally adjusted series. The trend data provides the best measure of the underlying behaviour of the labour market and is the focus of the commentary in this publication.

Contribution from sample components to estimates

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Data downloads

Labour Force Survey results are released in three stages.

1. Spreadsheets of the headline indicators are published in this release
2. Additional, more detailed spreadsheets and pivot tables are published in [Labour Force, Australia, Detailed \(/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia-detailed/latest-release\)](#) one week after this first release
3. Longitudinal labour force microdata are released in the ABS DataLab on a monthly basis, one day after the detailed release (see [Microdata: Longitudinal Labour Force, Australia \(/statistics/microdata-tablebuilder/available-microdata-tablebuilder/longitudinal-labour-force-australia\)](#).)

See the [Survey output \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/aug-2024#survey-output\)](#) section of Labour Force, Australia methodology for more information.

Labour Force status

Table 1. Labour force status by Sex, Australia - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 4. Labour force status by Sex, New South Wales - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 5. Labour force status by Sex, Victoria - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 6. Labour force status by Sex, Queensland - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 7. Labour force status by Sex, South Australia - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 8. Labour force status by Sex, Western Australia - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 9. Labour force status by Sex, Tasmania - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 10. Labour force status by Sex, Northern Territory - Trend and Original

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Table 10a. Labour force status by Sex, Northern Territory - Seasonally adjusted

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Table 11. Labour force status by Sex, Australian Capital Territory - Trend and Original

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Table 11a. Labour force status by Sex, Australian Capital Territory - Seasonally adjusted

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Table 12. Labour force status by Sex, State and Territory - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 12a. Labour force status by Sex, Territory - Seasonally adjusted

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Table 13. Labour force status for 15-24 year olds by Sex - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 15. Labour force status for 15-24 year olds by Educational attendance (full-time) and Sex

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Table 16. Labour force status for 15-24 year olds by State, Territory and Educational attendance (full-time)

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Table 17. Labour force status for 15-19 year olds by Sex - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 18. Labour force status for 15-64 year olds by Sex - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Hours worked

Table 19. Monthly hours worked in all jobs by Employed full-time, part-time and Sex and by State and Territory - Trend and Seasonally adjusted

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Table 19a. Monthly hours worked in all jobs by Employed full-time, part-time and Sex and Territory - Seasonally adjusted

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Table 21. Quarterly hours worked in all jobs by Market and Non-market sector - Seasonally adjusted

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